THE VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

The Freedom of the Preſs is one of the great Bulwarks of Liberty, and can never be reſtrained but by deſpotic Governments.

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UNITED STATES LOTTERY.

THE SCHEME is,

That this LOTTERY *conſiſt of* FOUR CLASSES *of one hundred thouſand tickets each.*

FIRST CLASS.

100,000 tickets, at 10 dollars each, are } 1,000,000
Deduction at 15 per cent. 150,000

$850,000

No.	Prizes.		Dollars.
1	of 10,000	is	10,000
2	5000	are	10,000
30	1000		30,000
400	500		200,000
20,000	20		400,000
Carried to 4th claſs,			200,000

$850,000

SECOND CLASS.

100,000 tickets, at 20 dollars each, are } 2,000,000
Deduction at 15 per cent. 300,000

1,700,000

No.	Prizes.		Dollars.
1	of 20,000	is	20,000
2	10,000	are	20,000
10	5000		50,000
100	1000		100,000
820	500		410,000
20,000	30		600,000
Carried to 4th claſs,			500,000

1,700,000

THIRD CLAS

100,000 tickets, at 30 dollars each, are } 3,000,000
Deduction, at 15 per cent. 450,000

2,550,000

No.	Prizes.		Dollars.
1	of 30,000	is	30,000
1	20,000		20,000
2	15,000	are	30,000
2	10,000		20,000
10	5000		50,000
200	1000		200,000
1000	500		500,000
20,000	40		800,000
Carried to 4th claſs,			900,000

2,550,000

FOURTH CLASS.

100,000 tickets, at 40 dollars each, are } 4,00,0000
Deduction, at 15 per cent. 600,000

3,400,000
Brought from the firſt claſs, 200,000
— — — ſecond do. 500,000
— — — third do. 900,000

5,000,000

No.	Prizes.		Dollars.
1	of 50,000	is	50,000
2	25,000	are	50,000
2	15,000		30,000
2	10,000		20,000
10	5000		50,000
100	1000		100,000
200	500		100,000
1000	300		300,000
15,000	200		3,000,000
26,000	50		1,300,000
42,317 Prizes.			5,000,000
57,683 Blanks.			

100,000 Tickets.——Not near one. and a half blanks to a prize.

THIS lottery is ſet on foot by a reſolution of Congreſs, paſſed at Philadelphia the 18th day of November 1776, for the purpoſe of raiſing a ſum of money on loan, bearing an annual intereſt of four per cent. which, with the ſum ariſing from the deduction, is to be applied for carrying on the preſent moſt juſt and neceſſary war, in defence of the lives, liberties, and property, of the inhabitants of theſe United States.

The fortunate adventurers in the firſt claſs, and ſo in the ſecond and third, who draw more than thirty or forty dollars, ſhall, at their option, receive a treaſury bank note for the prize or prizes drawn, payable at the end of five years, and an annual intereſt at the rate of four per cent. or the pre-emption of ſuch tickets in the next ſucceeding claſs as ſhall not be renewed within the time hereafter limited.

Every adventurer in the firſt claſs ſhall have a right to go through the ſubſequent claſſes, but ſhall not be obliged to do it.

The drawers of twenty, thirty, and forty dollars, in the firſt, ſecond, and third claſſes, who do not apply for their money within ſix weeks after the drawing is finiſhed, ſhall be deemed adventurers in the next ſucceeding claſs, and have their tickets renewed, without any further trouble.

If any other ſhall neglect or decline taking out and paying the price of their ticket for a ſubſequent claſs, within ſix weeks after the drawing is ended, their tickets ſhall be ſold to the fortunate adventurers in the preceeding claſs, or to ſuch as ſhall apply for the ſame.

The fortunate adventurers in the laſt claſs, who draw fifty dollars, ſhall, upon application to the commiſſioners of the loan offices in the reſpective States where the drawers reſide, receive their money without any deduction; and all who draw above fifty dollars ſhall receive in like manner, without deduction, for the ſums drawn, bank treaſury notes, payable at the end of five years after the drawing, at the loan office of the State in which the drawers reſide. The intereſt to commence from the laſt day of drawing, and to be paid annually at the ſaid reſpective loan offices.

As this lottery is eſtabliſhed for the ſole purpoſe of raiſing a ſum of money for carrying on the preſent juſt war, undertaken in defence of the rights and liberties of America, in which every individual, and their poſterity, will be ſo deeply intereſted, it is not doubted, but every real friend to his country will moſt cheerfully become an adventurer, and that the ſale of the tickets will be very rapid, eſpecially as even the unſucceſsful adventurer will have the pleaſing reflection of having contributed in a degree to the great and glorious American cauſe.

The managers appointed by Congreſs are, Sharp Delany, John Purviance, Owen Biddle, David Jackſon, Jacob Barge, Jonathan B. Smith, and James Searle, who are upon oath, and give bond for the faithful diſcharge of their truſt.

The drawing of the firſt claſs will begin at Philadelphia the 10th day of April next, or ſooner, if ſooner full.

The public will be adverti ſed as ſoon as the tickets are ready for ſale.

The managers are inſtructed to ſell the tickets for ready money only.

Philadelphia, December 13, 1776.

"IN CONGRESS NOVEMBER 27, 1776.

"*Reſolved*, that it be recommended to the legiſlatures of the United States reſpectively to paſs ſuch laws as will moſt effectually tend to prevent the counterfeiting or forging the tickets of the public.

Extract from the minutes.

CHARLES THOMSON, Sec'ry.

THE BEAUTIFUL HIGH BLOODED HORSE

MERRY TOM,

BEING in high Perfection, will ſtand at the *High Hills* in *Suſſex* County, to cover Mares at 30s. the Leap, 3l. the Seaſon, and 5l. to enſure.——MERRY TOM was bred by Mr. *William Parker* of *Newcaſtle*, in *England*, he was got by REGULUS, his Dam by LOCUST, a Son of CRAB, his Grand-dam by a Son of FLYING CHILDERS, his great Grandam by OLD PARTNER. The above Horſe won the 300 Guinea ſweep Stakes at *Richmond*, then 4 Years old; he won 50l. at *Durham*, and the Noblemen and Gentlemen's Subſcription at *Cupar*, then 5 Years old; this I have from under the Importer's Hand. Good Paſturages for Mares *gratis*, but will not be anſwerable for any that may get away or be ſtolen. (4t) HENRY GEE.

WILLIAMSBURG, *March* 24, 1777.

PURSUANT to an Order of *York* County Court, appointing us to agree with ſome Perſon to make the Creek navigable through the Stone Bridge, lately erected at the Capitol Landing, and to ſtop up the ſaid Creek where the old Bridge now ſtands, we give this public Notice, that we ſhall proceed to let the ſaid Work to the loweſt Bidder, on *Tueſday* the 15th of next Month, at 3 o'Clock in the Afternoon, at the Capitol Landing.

DUDLEY DIGGES.
JOHN BLAIR.
DAVID JAMESON.
WILLIAM GRAVES.
JOHN TAZEWELL.

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IN COUNCIL WILLIAMSBURG, *March* 21, 1777.

ON the Memorial of *William Buchanan*, and ſundry others Natives of *Great Britain* reſiding within this Commonwealth, repreſenting certain unforeſeen Impediments they have met with in their Endeavours to bring the Ship *Albion* round from *South Quay* to ſome convenient Port, for the Purpoſe of tranſporting themſelves to their native Country, according to a former Order of the Board, and praying therefore an Allowance of further Time: *It is ordered*, that the ſaid Memorialiſts be allowed forty Days more, to be computed from the Expiration of the forty Days laſt given, within which Time they are hereby required to exert themſelves in their Preparations to depart this State, as no further Delay will be ſuffered, unleſs ſome very particular Reaſon ſhall make it neceſſary.

(A Copy) ARCHIBALD BLAIR, Clerk.

ROBERT TATE WHITE, who formerly lived with *David White* near *Richmond*, is deſired to repair to *York* Town immediately to do Duty as a Matroſs, agreeable to his Enliſtment with *John Hughes*, to ſerve in my Company of Artillery; alſo JOHN WILLIAMS, of *Prince George*, who enliſted the 9th of *January* with Bombardier *Jones* at *Jameſtown*. If the ſaid *White* and *Williams* neglect this Summons, they may expect to be treated as Deſerters. I will give a Reward of ten Dollars each for JOHN and CORKER HOWARD of *Glouceſter* County, who deſerted from my Company the 11th of this Month. I have ſome Reaſon to believe they are in *Robins*'s *Neck*, harboured by ſome diſaffected Perſons.

(2‖) WILLIAM PIERCE, Junior.

NEWCASTLE, *March* 25, 1777.

THE Subſcriber intends for *Scotland* in a few Weeks, and will either rent or ſell his Houſes and Lots in *Newcaſtle*.

ROBERT CAMPBELL.

NORTHAMPTON, *March* 24, 1777.

WE intend to leave this State in a few Weeks.

SAMUEL ATCHISON.
(‖) JAMES IMRIE.

SIXTY DOLLARS REWARD

FOR ſecuring the under-mentioned Deſerters, enliſted under me for the 15th continental Battalion, NEHEMIAH FENTRESS of *Norfolk* County, RICHARD PHILLIPS of *Louiſa* County, LEVI WHITEHURST of *Princeſs Anne* County, and EMANUEL KELLY, of what County I do not remember. The ſaid *Kelly*, when enliſted, called himſelf *E. Kemble*, and is thought to be on *Potowmack* River. I will give the above Reward for ſaid Deſerters, or twenty Dollars for each, if brought to *Williamſburg*, and delivered to the commanding Officer of that Place. (‖) WILLIAM GRIMES, Captain.

OSCAR,

A FINE deep Sorrel, full 15 Hands 3 Inches high, now in very great Perfection, will be let to Mares the enſuing Seaſon at my Plantation in *Cumberland* County, on *James* River, for 30s. the Leap, or 4l. the Seaſon. Exceeding fine Paſturage for Mares *gratis*, and great Care taken of them, but I will not be anſwerable for any that may get away. The Money will be expected for the Mares when taken away, or Notes of Hand on Demand to the Subſcriber. OSCAR was got by YOUNG SNIP, his Dam by Lord *Morton*'s ARABIAN, his Grandam by OLD CRAB, his great Grandam by the BALD GALLOWAY, his great great Grandam by *Darley*'s ARABIAN, out of BAY BOLTON's Dam.

(‖) WILLIAM GAY.

A PERSON properly qualified to teach *Engliſh*, Writing, and Arithmetick, and comes well recommended, will hear of good Encouragement by applying to the Printers. (4)

TO be ſold, a Tract of 456 Acres of LAND lying on *Fountain*'s Creek, in *Brunſwick* County. It is exceeding good for Tobacco or Grain, Houſe and Outhouſes in good Repair, the Situation open and healthy as any Part in *Virginia*. It is convenient to Church and Mill. No Recommendations are neceſſary, the Land, &c. will recommend themſelves. One Half the Purchaſe Money to be paid at the Time of Poſſeſſion, the other Part on the firſt Day of *January* 1777 and 1778. (2‖) PETER LEE.

JUNIUS,

A BEAUTIFUL Bay, 16½ Hands high, remarkable for getting ſtout well formed Colts, ſtands at my Houſe this Seaſon in *Hanver*, and will cover Mares for ready Money at two Dollars the Leap, or ſix Dollars the Seaſon. Good Paſturage *gratis*, and the greateſt Care taken of the Mares, but I will not be anſwerable for any that may get away.----- JUNIUS is an imported Horſe, got by a Hunter on a Dray Mare.

GEDDES WINSTON.

THE NOTED HIGH BRED HORSE

LONSDALE,

STANDS at my Houſe this Seaſon, and will cover Mares at 15s. the Leap, or 40s. the Seaſon. Good Paſturage *gratis*, and the greateſt Care taken of the Mares, but I will not be anſwerable for any that may get away.----LONSDALE was got by JOLLY ROGER, out of a bay Mare bought of Sir *John Ramſden*, Baronet, late Lord *Lonſdale*'s, he was got by MONKEY, her Dam by Lord *Lonſdale*'s BLACK ARABIAN, her Grandam by Lord *Lonſdale*'s BAY ARABIAN, her great Grandam by CONEY SKINS, her great great Grandam by DOBSWORTH, out of the younger of the two Royal Mares, bought of Mr. *Darcy* by the firſt Lord *Lonſdale*. Mr. *Darcy* was Maſter of the Horſe to King *William*.

CHARLES CITY, *March* 27, 1777. JOHN BYRD.

MERCURY,

A BEAUTIFUL ſorrel Horſe, 5 Years old this Spring, in high Perfection, ſtands at the Plantation of the late Col. *Frank Eppes*, in *Dinwiddie*, the enſuing Seaſon, to cover Mares at 3l. the Seaſon, or a Guinea the Leap. Thoſe who do not pay the Money before the Mares are taken away to give Bond and Security (if required) to Mr. *Henry Thweat*, who will attend to receive them for the Benefit of the Eſtate of the ſaid Col. *Eppes*. MERCURY was got by OLD JANUS, out of Col. *Byrd*'s imported Mare CALISTA. (‖)

TO be ſold, on *Thurſday* the 3d of *April*, at *Hanover* Courthouſe, being Court Day, five likely NEGROES belonging to the Eſtate of *John Madiſon*, deceaſed, conſiſting of two Fellows, one Wench, a Boy, and Girl, for ready Caſh, by

(1) EDWARD HILL, Adminiſtrator.

LOST by the Subſcriber, from near *Falmouth*, about the firſt of *May* laſt, a SORREL MARE about 4 Feet 6 Inches high, no Brand perceivable, has a large Blaze in her Face inclining to the off Side, her hind Feet white, Glaſs Eyes, and paces and canters very well; ſhe was bred in *Middleſex* County, and would probably go into the lower Part of the *Northern Neck*. Whoever will deliver the ſaid Mare to Mr. *John George* in *Middleſex*, ſhall have ten Dollars Reward, or fifteen if delivered to Col. *Edmund Pendleton* of *Caroline*.

AMBROSE WALDEN.

NORTHUMBERLAND, *March* 20, 1777.

ON *Thurſday* the 10th of *April* next, will be ſold for ready Money, at *Wicomoco* Warehouſe, a large PILOT BOAT, taken up in *Cheſapeak* Bay in *Auguſt* laſt, by the Company under my Command, ſuppoſed to have drifted from Lord *Dunmore*'s Fleet, then lying in the aforeſaid Bay. (1‖)

WILLIAMSBURG, *March* 27, 1777.

LOST Yeſterday Evening in this City, 187 DOLLARS of continental Currency, with ſeveral Letters directed to Gentlemen of the 2d Regiment. Whoever has found them, and will bring them to me at Mr. *Maupin*'s, ſhall have twenty Dollars Reward.

(1‖) JOHN WORSHAM.

TAKEN up in *Eſſex*, ſome Time in the Month of *Auguſt* laſt, a dark BAY MARE, with a hanging Mane and Tail, dark Legs, about 4 Feet 5 Inches high, branded on the near Buttock ∩, and on the other a Spot of white Hairs, appears to be about 12 Years old. Poſted, and appraiſed to TEN POUNDS.

(1) REUBEN NOEL.

A PERSON properly qualified to direct the Buſineſs of a Rope-Maker, and can come well recommended, may be employed by applying to the Subſcriber at *York* Town.

(tf) WM. REYNOLDS.

FALMOUTH, *March* 25, 1777.

ALL Perſons who have had Dealings at Meſſ. *Bogle, Somerville,* and Company's Store at this Place, formerly kept by Meſſ. *Gavin* and *Robert Lawſons,* and of late by the Subſcriber, and whoſe Accounts ſtill remain open, are deſired to take Notice, that the Books are now in my Poſſeſſion, and as I am ſhortly to leave the Country, and there will be no Perſon authoriſed to tranſact the Buſineſs for ſaid Company here after my Departure, I flatter myſelf they will attend as ſoon as poſſible to make a final Settlement of their Accounts, and grant Specialty for their reſpective Balances.——Thoſe Perſons to whom the Company are indebted for Tranſactions as above, are deſired to make immediate Application for Payment.

(1) GEORGE HAMILTON.

GLOUCESTER *County, March* 20, 1777.

THE Subſcriber has for Sale, 300 Acres of valuable LAND, known by the Name of *Robins's Neck,* upon *Mobjack* Bay. The Land is ſo well known that I ſhall mention no Particulars. For Terms apply to the Subſcriber, on the Premiſes.

(1) WILLIAM ROBINS.

WILLIAMSBURG, *March* 19, 1777.

THE Creditors of Col. *Philip Johnſon* having failed to meet the 13th Inſtant, purſuant to a former Advertiſement, are again deſired to attend with their Claims properly ſtated, at the Houſe of Mr. *James Southall,* in this City, on *Tueſday* the 8th Day of *April* next. This Requeſt is the more neceſſary, as ſome of the Creditors who acceded to the Deed of Truſt, only ſigned their Names, without mentioning the Sums due; and the Accounts of ſeveral others ſtill remain unſettled. The Truſtees having on Hand a conſiderable Sum of Money, and are poſſeſſed of many Bonds, taken with good Security for the Hire of Negroes, which they wiſh to divide in ſuch Manner as may be moſt agreeable to all the Creditors. Whatever Balances may remain due Col. *Johnſon* propoſes the moſt ſpeedy Method of diſcharging. He is extremely anxious to do the moſt ample Juſtice to all his Creditors, and equally ſolicitous to have what remains of his Eſtate diſencumbered.

(2) THE TRUSTEES.

FOR Sale, altogether, or ſeparately, in Parcels, as may beſt ſuit the Purchaſers, on reaſonable Terms, by applying either to the Subſcriber, or Mr. *Archibald Dunlop* at *Cabin Point,* the Rigging, Tackle, and Apparel, belonging to a Brig, conſiſting of Anchors, Cables, Sails, a large Quantity of *London* Cordage, moſtly as good as new, and Blocks of all Sizes and Sorts, with a good Deal of Iron Work, uſeful in fitting out any Kind of Veſſel.

(1) JOHN AUSTIN FINNIE.

STOLEN from the Subſcriber, at *Newcaſtle,* in *Hanover* County, the 9th Day of *November* laſt, a full blooded BAY ROAN MARE, 5 years old laſt Spring, and near 5 Feet high, has more white Hairs upon her Rump than any where elſe, ſhod all round, but ſuppoſe the Thief may take off her Shoes, to prevent Detection, is a little lame in her right hind Leg, which is very perceivable when ſhe trots. I will give FORTY SHILLINGS to any One who will give me Intelligence of the ſaid Mare ſo that I get her again, or THREE POUNDS if brought Home, and FIVE POUNDS on Conviction of the Thief, if a white Man.

4l RICHARD JOHNSON.

MARCH 12, 1777.

THE Subſcribers have for Sale, at *Peterſburg,* the following Articles, viz. *Weſt India* RUM, SPIRITS, GENEVA in ſmall Jugs of the beſt Quality, BROWN SUGAR, in Barrels, HYSON and BOHEA TEAS, *Madeira* WINE, CLARET, and ſundry DRY GOODS.

(1) PHRIPP & BOWDOIN.

BUCEPHALUS,

A FINE Sorrel, full blooded, 15 Hands 2 Inches high, will begin the firſt Day of *April* to cover Mares at *Aylett's* Warehouſe, in *King William* County, at 15s. the Leap, or 40s. the Seaſon; the Money will be expected when the Mares are taken away. BUCEPHALUS was got by Col. *Tayloe's* noted Horſe YORICK, his Dam by CARELESS. Good Paſturage *gratis,* but I will not be anſwerable for any Mares that may be loſt.

(1) REUBEN BUTLER.

STRAYED, or STOLEN, from the Subſcriber in *Southampton* County about the 31ſt of *January* laſt, near *Broad Water* Ferry, a very DARK BAY HORSE, almoſt Black, with a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, about 4 Feet 5 or 6 Inches high, trots and gallops, about 12 Years old, has one or two Saddle Spots near the Size of a Dollar, tolerable free Spirit, and rather Pot-bellied, in good Order when he went away, but no Brand that I remember. Whoever apprehends the ſaid Horſe and contrives me Word, ſo that I get him again, ſhall have FOUR DOLLARS Reward, paid by the Subſcriber, living near *Southampton* Courthouſe.

SOLOMON COOPER.

FOR Sale, about 900 or 1000 Acres of LAND, in the County of *Brunſwick,* lying on *Nottoway* River, within 35 Miles of *Peterſburg,* and convenient to Church and Mill. The Land is good for Tobacco or Grain, and affords an exceeding fine Range for Stock; there is a Dwelling-Houſe, which with ſome Repairs might be made tolerable good, and all convenient Outhouſes, ſuch as a Kitchen, Dairy, Barns, Cribs, and Smokehouſe. The Terms of Sale will be made eaſy to the Purchaſer, and may be known by applying to

HENRY TAZEWELL.

A FEW able SEAMEN are yet wanting for the *Albion.* Apply (as formerly) to Capt. *Alexander Thomſon* on Board, or to *Michael Wallace* in *Nanſemond.*

☞ I have for Sale a ſmall Library conſiſting of the following Books, namely, *Robertſon's* Hiſtory of *Scotland, Mac Aulay's* Hiſtory of *England, Hook's* Hiſtory of *Rome, Rollin's* Ancient Hiſtory, *Voltaire's* Works, *Pope's* ditto, *Swift's* do. *Fielding's* do. *Dryden's* do. *Sterne's* do, *Garrick's* do. Revolution of *Portugal, Montague's* Letters, Spectator, Idler, Tattler, Guardian, *Roderick Random,* Hiſtorical Dictionay, *Finning's* Geography, *Coke* on *Lyttleton, Blackſtone's* Commentaries. They are of the lateſt Editions, *London* bound, moſtly new, and all in exceeding good Order.

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TAKEN up, near *Peterſburg,* in *Dinwiddie* County, a RED COW and CALF, marked with a Swallowfork in the right, and a Slope on the under Side of the left Ear. Poſted, and appraiſed to 3l. 10s.—Alſo a RED COW, marked as above, with a BULL YEARLING. Poſted, and appraiſed to 4l.----Likewiſe a RED COW, marked with a Crop and Hole in the right, and a Slit in the left Ear, with a BULL YEARLING. Poſted, and appraiſed to 3l. 5s.

DUNCAN ROSS.

TO BE SOLD, on the Premiſes, at public Auction, on *Monday* the laſt Day of this Inſtant *(March)* if fair, otherwiſe firſt fair Day, a Tract of LAND in *York* County, *Charles* Pariſh, adjoining the Lands of Mr. *Starkey Robinſon*, whereon is a good Dwelling-Houſe, and other convenient Buildings, Apple and Peach Orchards, a Variety of other Fruit Trees, and Ground enough encloſed (and partly broke up) to work 3 or 4 Hands. One Third of the Purchaſe Money to be paid on the Day of Sale, and the Remainder at two annual Payments, giving Bonds, with approved Security, which are to carry Intereſt from the Date if not paid within 20 Days after they become due. ——At the ſame Time and Place will be ſold, for ready Money, two NEGROES, a Stock of likely CATTLE, SHEEP, and HOGS, HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, and PLANTATION UTENSILS, CORN, PEAS, BACON, *&c.* The Sale to begin at 11 o'Clock. No Article to be taken away till the Money for the ſame is paid to the Subſcriber, or his Truſtee. (2‖) JOHN CHISMAN.

THE Subſcriber has for Sale, *any* Quantity of exceeding good PIT COAL, at the Falls of *James* River, Price one Shilling *per* Buſhel, for ready Money only.

‖ THOMAS SOWELL.

TO be ſold to the higheſt Bidder, on *Thurſday* the 24th of *April* next, if fair, if not the next fair Day, at the Plantation of Capt. *Maxamilian Robinſon*, deceaſed, in *King George* County, near *Leeds* Town, for ready Money, 40 valuable SLAVES, Men, Women, fine Boys, and Girls, a large Stock of Cattle, Hogs, Horſes, and Sheep, a Quantity of *Indian* Corn, Wheat, and Rye, ſundry Kinds of Houſehold and Kitchen Furniture, ſome Rum, Sugar, Wine, and Arrack, a Quantity of empty Bottles and Carboys, and many other neceſſary Articles, by (5‖) THE EXECUTORS.

☞ All Perſons that have Demands againſt the ſaid Eſtate are deſired to make them known at the Day of Sale, and all thoſe that are indebted are requeſted to make immediate Payment.

WILLIAMSBURG, *March* 1777.

WANTED immediately, four or five good HOUSE CARPENTERS, alſo five or ſix NEGRO CARPENTERS, for which a good Price will be given by applying to me

‖ FRANCIS JARAM.

THE NOTED SWIFT HORSE

TRISTRAM SHANDY,

NOW in high Health, very fat and vigorous, ſtands at *Beverley Plain*, in the lower End of *Caroline* County, and will cover Mares this Seaſon at 50s. TRISTRAM SHANDY was got by *Morton*'s TRAVELLER, his Dam by JANUS, out of a fine *Engliſh* Mare. Two very large Paſtures, under ſtrong Fences, for the Mares, *gratis*, and great Care taken of them, but I will run no Riſk.

(5‖) JAMES UPSHAW.

RUN away from the Subſcriber, in *Williamſburg*, the 21ſt Day of *March* 1777, a luſty *Virginia* born Negro Fellow named SAM, about 26 Years of Age, his upper fore Teeth ſtands a little out, and are wide apart; had on, when he went away, an old *Virginia* Cloth Jacket, a new Shirt, and ſhort Breeches, made of Country Linen, and a Straw Hat. He was late the Property of the Rev. *Henry John Burgeſs* of *Southampton* County. I purchaſed him at *Smithfield*, and expect he is now lurking about in that Neighbourhood. I will give 40s. to have him taken and ſecured, ſo that I get him again, or 3l. Pounds if brought Home. (2‖) JOHN MEED.

TEN DOLLARS REWARD.

RUN away from the Subſcriber, in *Northampton*, about the 25th of *January* laſt, a likely *Virginia* born Negro named SAM, about 30 Years old, 5 Feet 4 or 5 Inches high, and pitted with the Smallpox; had on a ſtriped *Virginia* Cloth Jacket and Breeches, and common Yarn Stockings and Shoes. He is ſuppoſed to be lurking about *York* Town, or Mr. *Benjamin Waberton*'s Quarter, near *Morton*'s Mill, in *James City*, where he has a Wife. Whoever delivers the ſaid Slave to me, or ſecures him ſo that I get him again, ſhall have the above Reward.

JOHN STRINGER.

TO BE SOLD, on *Monday* the 31ſt Inſtant *(March)* at the late Dwelling-Houſe of Mr. *William Pearſon*, deceaſed, for ready Money, a Variety of HOUSEHOLD and KITCHEN FURNITURE, alſo a CART and TEAM of HORSES, a very good DOUBLE CHAIR, and ſeveral Head of CATTLE. The Sale to begin at 10 o'Clock.

2‖ MARY M. PEARSON, Adminiſtratrix.

MILNER's, *March* 10, 1777.

AS I am to leave the Country in a ſhort Time, thoſe who have any juſt Claims againſt *Michael* and *John Wallace* and Co. are deſired to apply, and they ſhall be diſcharged.

(‖) MICHAEL WALLACE.

CABIN POINT, *March* 10, 1777.

TO be ſold for ready Money, or ſhort Credit, to the higheſt Bidder, on the Premiſes, on *Monday* the 7th of *April*, if fair, otherwiſe the firſt fair Day, the Plantation whereon *Adam Fleming*, Eſq; deceaſed, lately lived, lying at the Mouth of *Chiapox* Creek, on *James* River, about four Miles from *Cabin Point*, containing about 1100 Acres, between 3 and 400 Acres of which are Marſh, capable of being reclaimed; 30 Acres of it were tended laſt Year in Corn, and there are 50 Acres more reclaimed, fit for Uſe, with a ſufficient Ditch. All the cleared Land upon the Plantation is under a new Fence, and 70 Buſhels of Wheat ſown. There is Land already ploughed for the Work of 8 Hands, who will be hired till the firſt of next *January*, along with the Plantation, if it is not ſold. There is on it a good Brick Dwelling-Houſe completely finiſhed, with two large Rooms and Cloſets below, an extraordinary good Cellar, and three Rooms and Cloſets above, a remarkably convenient and large new built Kitchen, with every other Neceſſary Outhouſe.——At the ſame Time and Place will be ſold, for ready Money only, all the reſt of the Eſtate of the Deceaſed, conſiſting of 18 very likely young Negroes, among whom are 6 Fellows, who have been bred to the Water, one an exceeding good Ship Carpenter, and another an accompliſhed Waiting-Man, and underſtands the Care of Horſes, a Wench who is a very good Sempſtreſs, the other 4 Wenches are equally capable of Houſe and Field Work.—A Number of valuable blooded Horſes, Mares, and Colts, proper for Plough or Saddle; likewiſe the Stock of Cattle, Sheep, and Hogs, belonging to the Plantation, and its working Utenſils, Houſe and Kitchen Furniture of the beſt Kind, and all new; ſome Plate, about 1000 lb. brown Sugar, and 400 ditto Coffee, old Spirits, and Brandy, between 2 and 3000 lb. Bacon exceedingly well cured, one Pair of choice *European* Mill Stones, one Seine and Boats, a 9 Hogſhead Flat, a Set Pump Borer's Tools, a Quantity of Nails of different Sizes, Window Glaſs, and Paints of different Colours, a neat topped Single Chair, with Harneſs, Ditchers Boots and Tools, with many other Articles.----Thoſe who may have Demands on the Deceaſed, will pleaſe to make them known, by or before the Day of Sale, and at which Time Payment will be endeavoured to be made. All Bonds and Accounts that are not due by the Deceaſed, by allowing the uſual Diſcount, will be diſcharged; and it is expected all thoſe who are indebted to the Deceaſed will make immediate Payment. His Store Books are in the Hands of (4) JAMES WILLISON, Executor.

TO be ſold, agreeable to the laſt Will and Teſtament of the Hon. *William Byrd*, Eſq; deceaſed, at *Weſtover*, in *Charles City* County, about 25 Miles below *Richmond* Town, on the 24th of *April* next, 100 *Virginia* born SLAVES, well clothed, among whom are many very fine Tradeſmen, Colliers, Forgemen, Carpenters, Shoemakers, an exceeding good Cook, Waſher Women, and Dairy Maids; alſo ſome very elegent FURNITURE and Plate, and Part of the Stocks of Horſes, Cattle, and Sheep, and ſome very valuable high blooded Horſes. The Sale will be for ready Money, but thoſe who have Demands againſt the Eſtate, by Judgments, or proteſted Bills of Exchange, will be allowed the ſame in Payment of any purchaſe they may make.---All thoſe who are indebted to the Eſtate, are requeſted to make Payment as ſoon as poſſible, and thoſe who have any Demands againſt it to make them known, together with the Grounds of their reſpective Debts to THE EXECUTRIX.

N. B. The Executrix has alſo for Sale, a good Brick Dwelling-Houſe with 4 Rooms on each Floor, ſituated in the City of *Williamſburg*, lately occupied by the ſaid *William Byrd*, Eſq; and at preſent by the Rev. *John Bracken*. The Dwelling-Houſe has all convenient Outhouſes, and ſeveral incloſed Lots adjoining; alſo the very valuable LIBRARY of the ſaid Deceaſed, conſiſting of near four Thouſand Volumes. The Houſe and Library will be diſpoſed of either by private or public Sale, as may be moſt agreeable to the Purchaſers.

TO be ſold in the County of *Mecklenburg*, on very reaſonable Terms, 788 Acres of LAND, great part of which is good for Tobacco or grain. There are upon this Tract ſuitable Houſes to dwell in, convenient Outhouſes, Garden, and Orchards.——Alſo another Tract about 5 Miles from this, conſiſting of 403 Acres, on both Sides of the *South Meherrin* River, whereon are two good Plantations, the Soil very rich, good Orchards, and convenient Houſes. There is, adjoining this Land, a large, new, well built Griſt Mill on the River, conſiſting of 2 Pair of Stones, and a well fixed Bolting Cloth. This Mill gets more than 100 Barrels of Toll Grain per Year, and is now rented at 40l *per Annum*.——Alſo another Tract a little below this, conſiſting of 309 Acres, with a Plantation and Orchards, lies very level, and is very good for Stock.——Any of the ſaid Lands may be entered upon at *Chriſtmas* next, and whoever inclines to purchaſe may know the Terms by applying to the Subſcriber, living on the firſt-mentioned Place. (2‖) BENJAMIN WHITEHEAD.

WILLIAMSBURG, *March* 12, 1777.

STRAYED, or STOLEN, from the College Gate, on *Saturday* Evening of the 15th of *February* laſt, a SORREL HORSE about 14 Hands high, has a ſhort Switch Tail and hanging Mane, a ſmall Star in his Forehead, is a natural Pacer, low in Fleſh, his Brand (if any) forgot, and had on a Snaffle Bridle. Whoever brings the ſaid Horſe to Col. *William Finnie* in this City, ſhall be handſomely rewarded.

HANOVER, *March* 1, 1777.

RUN away from the Subſcriber on the 3d of *February*, at Night, WILL, a Negro Man, by Trade a Carpenter, of a yellow Complexion, middle Stature, well ſet, flat noſed, and has loſt one of his upper fore Teeth; had on when he went away white *Virginia* Jacket and Breeches, Country made Linen Shirt, ſtriped *Virginia* Cloth Wrappers, common Negro Shoes, old Beaver Hat, with a ſmall Brim, and carried with him a *Dutch* Blanket almoſt new, a Pair of old black Laſting Breeches, and a Shirt of the ſame Linen of the one he had on. I expect he is either lurking about Mr. *Braxton Bird*'s in *King* and *Queen*, of whom I purchaſed him, or Mr. *Corbin*'s in *Middleſex*, where his Mother lives. He is a cunning ſenſible Fellow, well acquainted in many Parts of the Country, and is very capable of telling a plauſible Story. I will give 5l. Reward to any Perſon who will ſecure the ſaid Slave, ſo that I get him again, and reaſonable Expenſes if brought Home. (‖) DANIEL TRUEHEART.

THE FAMOUS HORSE

DUKE of RICHMOND,

STANDS this Seaſon at Col. *Holladay*'s in *Nanſemond* County, oppoſite *Sleepy Hole* Ferry, and covers Mares at 30s. the Seaſon, 10s. the Leap, and 3l. to enſure the Pregnancy of a Mare. Good Paſturage gratis, alſo Ferriage free for all that come by *Sleepy Hole* Ferry. The ſaid Horſe is the ſtrongeſt and largeſt that ever covered on the Continent; he is of the *Engliſh* Dray, and gets moſt valuable Colts, now riſing 8 Years old, 16 Hands high, a beautiful dapple Grey, and well made. The 20th of this Month he will be at the above Stand, and as he will cover at ſuch a low Price, the Money will be expected with the Mares, it being too troubleſome to collect many ſmall Debts at a Diſtance.

BENJAMIN BANNERMAN.

PORTSMOUTH, *March* 6, 1777.

THE NOTED FULL BLOODED HORSE

OLD PARTNER,

IN high Perfection, ſtands at my Plantation near *Swan*'s *Point*, and will cover Mares at four Dollars the Leap, and ten Dollars the Seaſon. Good Paſturage gratis, but will not be anſwerable for any that may be miſſing.------PARTNER is ſo well known it is needleſs to mention his Pedigree. (5‖) JOHN H. COCKE.

TO be ſold at *Frederickſburg*, on the 3d Day of *April* next, for ready Money, if fair, otherwiſe the next fair Day, 60 valuable *Virginia* born SLAVES, conſiſting of Men, Women, and Children, Girls and Boys, among whom are good Houſe Servants, Kitchen and Dairy Maids, Spinners, and a Gardener. An indiſputable Title will be given to the ſame. (‖)

TRAVELLER,

A FINE Bay, in high Perfection, 16 Hands high, riſing five Years old, will cover Mares the enſuing Seaſon, at my Plantation near *Williamſburg*, at ten Shillings the Leap, or thirty Shillings the Seaſon. He was got by Col. *Lewis Burwell*'s Horſe, which was got by old TRAVELLER out of a full blooded JANUS Mare, and his Dam was an imported Horſe. Good Paſturage will be found the Mares, but will not be anſwerable for any that may get away.

JAMES SOUTHALL.

☞ The above Horſe is for Sale, and twelve Months Credit will be allowed for one Half the Purchaſe Money.

ALL Perſons having Demands againſt Lieut. *Barthelomew Yates*, deceaſed, are deſired to make them known to *William Yates*, Eſquire. (2‖) EDWARD R. YATES.

BEDFORD County, *March* 2, 1777.

I PURPOSE to leave this State in the Spring, and return in a few Months.

(‖) ROBERT COWAN.

REGULUS

STANDS this Seaſon at the Falls Plantation, and will cover Mares at 30s. ready Money the Leap, 4l. the Seaſon, and 6l. Enſurance. It is expected the Money will be paid before the Mares are taken away. The Paſture will be equal to any, and well ſecured with a proper Fence, but I will not be anſwerable for any Eſcapes.

(‖) WILLIAM BLACK.

HANOVER, *March* 1, 1777.

CRIPPLE,

NOW in high Perfection, will ſtand at my Plantation near the *Meadow Bridges* the enſuing Seaſon, and cover Mares at 40s. the Seaſon (the Money to be paid down when the Mares are taken away) or 15s. the Leap, the Money to be paid at the Stable Door. Gentlemen who put Mares by the Seaſon, and live at a Diſtance, may have Paſturage gratis, but I will not be anſwerable for any that may ſtray or be ſtolen, although my beſt Endeavours ſhall not be wanting to prevent either. (‖) DANIEL TRUEHEART.

AMERICA

WILL cover Mares this Seaſon in *York* Town at 12s. the Leap, and 30s. the Seaſon, ready Money. He is full 15 Hands high, 5 Years old, and a beautiful Cheſtnut Sorrel; was got by old *Smiling Tom*, out of a high blooded Mare, is well ſuited to breed either for Saddle or Turf, being free from Blemiſh or Hurt.

(‖) WILLIAM DAVIS.

NORTH CAROLINA, *Northampton County, Feb.* 18, 1777.

THE BEAUTIFUL HIGH BRED GREY HORSE

BADGER,

STANDS at my Houſe and will cover Mares this Spring at 5l. Proc. the Seaſon, or 50s. the Leap, the Money to be paid before the Mares are taken away. Good Paſturage gratis, and great Care ſhall be taken of the Mares, but I will not be anſwerable for any if they ſhould be loſt by any Means whatever. Such Gentlemen as chooſe it may have their Mares well fed for 5s. *Virginia* Money per Week.

BADGER was got by BORPHINIS, a Son of BABRAM, who was got by the GODOLPHIN ARABIAN; BADGER's Dam was got by the famous BLACK and all BLACK, his Grandam by the flying CHILDERS. He is 15¼ Hands high, and remarkably ſure.

(8‖) ALLEN JONES.

LONDON, *Nov.* 15.

THE Empreſs of Ruſſia has conſented to lend his Majeſty 24,000 of her beſt troops for the ſervice of the next campaign, all of which are to be embarked by the 3d of April, 1777.

The treaty for the above Ruſſians was concluded before the receipt of General Howe's laſt letter; but there is the following clauſe in the treaty, "provided they ſhould be wanted," and the Miniſtry being ſtrongly of opinion that they can now do without them, it is thought they will not viſit America, and that Government will be only at the expence of the new raiſed levies amongſt that corps.

Extract of a letter from Bourdeaux, *November* 1.

"No leſs than ſeven American veſſels have entered this harbour ſince the firſt o October laſt, moſt of them from Philadelphia and Carolina; they hoiſt the thirteen colony colours, and trade here with great freedom, as ther are no orders to the commiſſary of the marine concerning his behaviour towarda them, ſo that, like any other nation or State, they come in and go out without let or moleſtation."

Nov. 22. The ſucceſs of the King's forces againſt the revolted provinces has been ſo rapid, and the panic which this ſucceſs has ſtruck through the rebels is ſo univerſal, that had the Court of Verſailles or Madrid ever adopted the abſurd ideas of encouraging their own colonies to rebel, by lending any aſſiſtance to ours, they muſt now abandon ſo weak a ſyſtem of policy. For the operations of the late campaign joined to the ſcarcity of the preſent winter, will moſt probably terminate the rebellion before the next ſpring, and then it will be a little of the lateſt for any European power to think of extending the leaſt protection to "the diſciples of Mr. Locke," as our factious writers are pleaſed to ſtile the ungrateful Americans.

It is now very confidently talked among the friends of Government, at the Court end of the town, and in the city, that by Chriſtmas they expect the ports to be open to New York, if not to Philadelphia and Maryland.

It is talked that there will be ſome alterations at the treaſury board before the meeting of Parliament; but the premier will ſtill continue.

Sir Joſeph Yorke, we are told, has preſented a flaming memorial to the States General by order of his court, upon receiving undoubted intelligence of five new Indiamen being converted into fifty gun ſhips, and ſailing as ſuppoſed for India, but being in a fact ſold to Spaniſh agents, for the uſe of the Congreſs. This tranſaction, it is ſaid, will occaſion no ſmall noiſe.

CHARLESTOWN *(S. C.) Feb.* 20.

LAST night Captain Cochran, in the armed brigantine Notre Dame, arrived here from France with a valuable cargo, after a paſſage of 7 weeks. He has brought London news-papers to the 22d of November.

Accounts were received in France before Captain Cochran's departure, of the arſenal and dock yard in Portſmouth having been burnt in the beginning of December; the loſs is computed at two millions ſterling; but at the preſent critical ſituation of Great Britain, being in all appearance on the eve of a French and Spaniſh war, and the ſupplies of naval ſtores from America being diſcontinued, it will be hard to determine what the loſs may be eſtimated at.

Captain Cochran, on his paſſage, fell in with, and after exchanging a few ſhot, took an armed victualing ſhip, the ——— Captain Coomes, bound from Corke to New York.

Admiral Keppel is appointed to the command of a fleet of obſervation. —The following ſhips were in commiſſion at Plymouth; Royal George, 100 guns, Ocean 90, Queen 90, Foudroyant 84, Prince of Wales 74, Albion 74, Torbay 74, Hercules 74, Yarmouth 74, Shrewſbury 74, Kent 74, Conqueror 74, Boyne 70, Belleiſle 70, Somerſet 70, Fame 70, Monmouth 64, Intrepid 64, Prudent 64, Bienfaiſant 64, Nonſuch 64, Raiſonable 64, Burford 64, Apollo 32, Southampton 32. Beſides the above, the following ſhips were alſo put into commiſſion; Invincible 74, Ardent 64, Rippon 60, Mars 74, Ramillies 74, Prince George 90, Auguſta 64, Sterling Caſtle 64, Cornwall 64, Trident 64.——Lord Briſtol is appointed to a flag.--As hot a preſs as ever was known throughout Great Britain and Ireland.

FISH-KILL, *February* 27.

Extract of a letter from an officer at Morris Town, *dated February* 21, *to the printer.*

I RECEIVED your favour from Fiſh Kill, and beg leave to return you my thanks for forwarding to me the letters, &c. from Boſton. It would give me the greateſt pleaſure to furniſh you with *authentic* intelligence, but the truth is, we are ſo much ſhut up from news here as thoſe in Dunſbury mines---Indeed it would be almoſt unneceſſary to ſend news to you, who from us have ſuch an excellent faculty at *making it*. All that we have ſtirring here at preſent was brought out by the three Heſſian officers who *(your paper ſays)* deſerted ſome time ago from Brunſwick. They ſay that the 300 Britiſh troops killed by us in the Quibbleton affair, came to life ſhortly after; having only, in imitation of Shakeſpear's fat Knight, counterfeited death, in order to avoid the fury of our brave militia. They are however to be conſidered as *priſoners*, and to be exchanged for an equal number of our men killed by Hugh Gaine of the city of New York, printer, in the ſame action.

Jeſting apart.----I have the pleaſure to acquaint you, that a few days ago a party of General Putnam's diviſion, attacked and defeated a party of Tory ſoldiers, in Monmouth, killed a number and took about forty with their arms, and one Major Stockton, an infamous Tory, who commanded them."

PHILADELPHIA, *March* 11.

WE learn from Newport, that both the King's troops and inhabitants are obliged to live entirely upon ſalt proviſions, likewiſe that wood is very ſcarce and dear, which has induced the enemy to burn fences, ſtores, ſtables, and old dwelling-houſes.

March 13. On Tueſday the 5th inſtant 500 men attacked the Heſſian picquet guard near Brunſwick, drove them in, took 11 milch cows, 2 horſes, and brought off 15 or 20 loads of hay, which thoſe mercenaries had ſtacked up within their lines. After the Heſſians ran, a number of the light horſe came out, drew their ſwords, and cut a few capers, but did not chooſe to diſturb our men, whom they ſaw very leiſurely take away the hay.

On the 6th inſtant two men were taken up and confined in gaol, for uttering counterfeit bills, in imitation of the four dollars, and two thirds of a dollar, of the money iſſued by Congreſs, dated February 17, 1776.

Extract of a letter from an officer in New Jerſey.

"The officer who commanded the two thouſand Britiſh troops going as a reinforcement from Amboy to Brunſwick, we hear, is under an arreſt for undertaking, like Don Quixote, to do impoſſibilities, and get himſelf a great and immortal name. For this purpoſe, he, inſtead of of marching directly to Brunſwick, which he might have done, muſt needs go fourteen miles out of the direct road to take priſoners General Maxwell and his party at Spanktown, and to make his triumphant entry into Brunſwick, leading his captives in chains, like an old Roman General, in which he found his fatal miſtake when too late to remedy it, for he found that he had ſurrounded a neſt of American hornets, who ſoon put his whole body to flight, purſued them to Amboy, and obliged them to get on board their ſhips again, ſince which they have never ventured a ſecond time to reinforce their cooped up brethren in Brunſwick."

BALTIMORE, *March* 18.

BY Mr. Charles Cook, a Gentleman who arrived here laſt night in 12 days from Newbern, we have the following important intelligence, viz. That the day before he ſet out, he ſaw a certain Captain Stedman, who commands a company in the 5th regiment of North Carolina troops, who was juſt returned from Charleſtown, and there ſaw a large French fleet conſiſting of 15 veſſels of war, two of them 80 gun ſhips, and 40 merchantmen.---That two of the armed veſſels lay within the bar---that they had on board 200 pieces of braſs cannon, 30,000 ſtand of ſmall arms, and a great quantity of dry goods, for the uſe of the American States. Their deſtination was Cheſapeak and Delaware bays. Mr. Cook declares that he himſelf heard Captain Stedman relate the above facts, and that Captain Stedman is a Gentleman of undoubted veracity.

The SENTIMENTS of the BAPTISTS with regard to a GENERAL ASSESSMENT on the people of *Virginia*, for the *ſupport of Preachers* of the goſpel; collected and agreed to in an aſſociation of Miniſters and Delegates from the Churches of that perſuaſion, met at *Dover*, in *Goochland*, the 28th of *December* 1776.

THAT "it is contrary to the principles of *reaſon and juſtice*, that "any ſhould be compelled to contribute to the maintenance of a "Church with which their conſciences will not permit them to join, and "from which they can therefore receive no benefit," is not merely the opinion of the diſſenters (whoſe hardſhips on that ſcore have *feelingly* convinced them of the truth of it) but is the declaration of the Hon. the General Aſſembly of *Virginia*. And we are happy to find the progreſs of liberty ſo far advanced, that the legiſlature has paſſed "an act for "exempting the different ſocieties of diſſenters from contributing to the "ſupport and maintenance of the Church, as by law eſtabliſhed, and "its Miniſters."

There is yet one undetermined point "touching the propriety of a "General Aſſeſſment, or whether every religious ſociety ſhould be left "to voluntary contributions, for the ſupport and maintenance of the

" ſeveral Miniſters and teachers of the goſpel who are of different per-
" ſuaſions and denominations." And as our repreſentatives have
" thought moſt prudent to refer this matter to the diſcuſſion and final de-
" termination of a future Aſſembly, when the opinions of the country in
" general may be better known," we look upon it to be not only an apology for, but a *call* to us to publiſh our ſentiments with relation thereunto.

We believe that preachers ſhould be ſupported only by *voluntary contributions* from the people, and that a general aſſeſſment (however harmleſs, yea uſeful ſome may conceive it be) is pregnant with various evils, deſtructive to the rights and privileges of religious ſociety.

" No man, or ſet of men, are entitled to excluſive or ſeparate emolu-
" ments or privileges from the community, but in conſideration of public
" ſervices." If, therefore the State provides a ſupport for preachers of the goſpel, and they receive it in conſideration of their ſervices, they muſt certainly, when they preach, act as officers of the State, and ought to account thereto, not only as members of civil ſociety, but alſo *as preachers*. The conſequence of this is, that thoſe whom the State employs in its ſervice, it has a right to regulate and dictate to; it may judge and determine *who* ſhall preach, *when* they ſhall preach, and *what* they muſt preach. The *mutual obligations* between preachers and the ſocieties they belong to, ſhould this be the caſe, muſt be evidently weakened; yea, farewel to the laſt article of the bill of rights! Farewel to " the free
" exerciſe of religion," if civil rulers go ſo far out of their ſphere as to take the care and management of religious affairs upon them.

Sorry ſhould we be to ſee the ſeeds of oppreſſion ſown by the hand of power among us. And as we think it our duty to our utmoſt, in a legal way to retard, or, if poſſible, to prevent the luxuriant growth of a plant that has always brought forth the moſt bitter and baneful fruit wherever it has been cultivated, ſhould a general aſſeſſment take place, the preachers of our communion unitedly agree (and we doubt not but the conduct of every diſſenting Miniſter in the Commonwealth will be *uniform* on ſuch an occaſion) to give *diſcharges in full* to every perſon who ſhall direct the payment of his quota of the aſſeſſment to them; leaving all ſuch with regard to contributions to the freedom of their own will.

For the VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

COLD winter's paſt, the icicles no more
Hang pendant from the ſnowy mantled eaves;
All nature now looks ſmiling as before,
The pouting buds are rip'ning into leaves,
The tuneful birds proclaim the riſing year,
While ſportive lambkins ſkip along the green;
Bedeck'd with flowers the verdant fields appear,
And ſpring in all her luſtre now is ſeen.
Yet what avail the pleaſing ſcenes around,
Since cruel war its crimſon flag diſplays,
Amidſt our fields, where the ſhrill clarions ſound,
And war alarming drums their voices raiſe?
Where late the peaceful hind was wont to dwell,
In martial form th' embattled legions ſtand!
A friend, perhaps, by his own friend here fell,
And here a brother by a brother's hand;
The mother, quite diſconſolate, does mourn,
Her ſon (perhaps an only child) is ſlain;
The bride impatient waits her lord's return,
Who now, alas! will ne'er return again.
Propitious to our prayers, ye gods ordain,
That all-conſuming diſcord ſoon may ceaſe;
Endow our lands with happineſs again,
And I, and all the world with ENDLESS PEACE.

PORT ROYAL, *March* 16, 1773.

WILLIAMSBURG, *March* 28.

☞ UNITED STATES LOTTERY TICKETS may be had at the treaſury office, and at the country ſtore, in Williamſburg; of Col. John Baniſter, near Peterſburg; Richard Adams, Eſq; at Richmond; Col. John Syme, at Newcaſtle; Sampſon Matthews, Eſq; at Staunton, in Auguſta; Robert Johnſton, Eſq; in Port Royal; Colonel Fielding Lewis, in Frederickſburg; William Carr, Eſq; in Dumfries; and Joſiah Walton, Eſq; in Alexandria.

TAKEN up, in *Prince Edward* County, a BLACK MARE, 8 Years old, 4 Feet 4 Inches high, has a Switch Tail, her Mane hangs the wrong Side, and branded on the near Buttock, but not legible. Poſted, and appraiſed to FIVE POUNDS.

(1) NATHANIEL BASSETT.

THE Gentlemen Officers ſent from Head Quarters, to recruit Men for the 4th *Virginia* Regiment, will pleaſe to obſerve, that his Excellency General WASHINGTON has appointed me to ſuperintend the recruiting Service of the ſaid Regiment. As thoſe Gentlemen well know that our Loſſes have been ſolely owing to the Want of a reſpectable Army, I truſt therefore that Arguments are unneceſſary to ſtimulate them to the greateſt Exertion of their Endeavours in accompliſhing the Buſineſs on which they were ſent. They are requeſted to inform me once a Week of their Succeſs, or as often as they can by any Means make it convenient. Letters to be directed to me at Major *Thomas Williams*'s, *Amelia* County. RO: LAWSON,

(1) Lieut. Col. 4th *Virginia* Regiment.

WILLIAMSBURG, *March* 28, 1777.

THE following Articles of Merchandiſe are for Sale at the Brick Houſe next Door above Mr. *Purdie*'s Printing Office, Wholeſale or Retail, *viz.* PAPER, HATS, SHOES, LINEN, ready made SHIRTS, DRUGS and MEDICINES, beſt *Bourdeaux* WINE, and a great Variety of other Things, by

(1) MILON & HORANCE.

WILLIAMSBURG, *March* 28, 1777.

TO be ſold, Wholeſale or Retail, at the Shop occupied by Mr. *Blovet Paſteur*, the following Articles, *viz.*---COARSE and FINE LINEN, CALICOES, HANDKERCHIEFS, BOOK MUSLIN and RIBANDS of all Kinds, LACE RUFFLES for Gentlemen and Ladies, GLOVES, POMADE and POWDER of PARIS, Ladies TOILETS, LIQUORS of every Sort, *&c. &c.* (1)

TWENTY FIVE POUNDS REWARD.

DESERTED from the Company formerly commanded by Captain *Nathaniel Cocke* of the 7th *Virginia* Regiment, the following Soldiers, *viz.* JULIAS DEAN, WILLIAM DEAN, WILLIAM LUCAS, and two of Captain *Reuben Lipſcomb*'s Company, that deſerted from me in *Amelia* County, *viz.* RICHARD ANDERSON and MATTHEW HUNDLEY. I will give the above Reward for apprehending ſaid Deſerters, or five Pounds for each.

‖ TARPLEY WHITE, Lieut.

THE annual Meeting of the Treaſurer Truſtees and Subſcribers to the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, is hereby appointed to be held on *Saturday* the 10th of *May* next.—The Truſtees for the preſent Year are the Rev. Meſſ. *T. Wilkinſon, W. Leigh, T. Price, H. Skyring, T. Lundie,* and *J. Maury Fontaine.* The Preachers are the Rev. *T. Field* in the Morning, and the Rev. *Samuel S. M'Croſky* in the Afternoon.

By Order, JACOB BRUCE, Clerk.

RICHMOND, *March* 8, 1777.

AS the Subſcriber is to leave this Commonwealth in a ſhort Time, he begs all thoſe Perſons who have any Claims againſt Meſſ. *William Cuninghame* & Co, of *Glaſgow*, for Dealings with Mr. *John Turner* at *Rocky Ridge*, or with Mr. *Robert Kennan* at *Cabin Point*, may apply immediately for Payment of their juſt Balances.

He alſo deſires all thoſe who have Demands againſt the aforeſaid Company, for Dealings with him at this Place, may likewiſe ſpeedily apply for Payment. He would be obliged to thoſe who are owing the Company on open Account, for Dealings with him, or with either of the above Gentlemen, to come and have them ſettled, and grant Bonds, or other Specialty, for what may be due before his Departure.----He has for Sale ſundry NEGROES, which he will diſpoſe of for ready Money only.

WILLIAM HENDERSON

FOR SALE,

A VALUABLE Tract of LAND, containing two Thouſand three Hundred and ſeventy Acres, one Hundred Acres of which are exceeding rich low Grounds. There are a very good Dwelling Houſe and all other Convenient Houſes on the ſaid Tract. The Land lies on *James* River, about forty five or fifty Miles above *Richmond*.-----I have alſo for Sale a Tract in *Albemarle* County, of about five Hundred Acres, lying on *Crook*'s Creek, about two Miles from the Fork of *James* River. Any Perſon inclined to purchaſe may ſee the Lands, and know the Terms by applying to the Subſcriber, who lives on the firſt mentioned Tract.

(10‖) JOHN COBBS.

A WEAVER who underſtands his Buſineſs, and comes well recommended, may hear of good Encouragement by applying to the Printers.

HALIFAX *County, North Carolina, Feb.* 20, 1777.

WHIRLIGIG

WILL cover this Spring at my Plantation on *Quonkey*, at 50s. Proc. the Leap, 5l. the Seaſon, or 7l. 10s. to enſure. I will not be anſwerable for any Mares that may get away. Gentlemen may have their Mares well fed for 6/8 Proc. per Week.

WHIRLIGIG was imported from *England* by *John Allen*, Eſq; of *Philadelphia*, in 1773. He is full 15 Hands high, a dark Bay, was got by Lord *Portmore*'s bay Horſe CAPTAIN, a Son of young CARTOUCH, out of the Dam of FIRETAIL, who was deemed the fleeteſt Horſe ſince old CHILDERS; his Dam was got by the *Devonſhire* BLACKLEGS, his Grandam by TRUEBLUE, out of SLAMERKIN; ſhe bred BUSTARD, VICTORIOUS, OROONOKO, *Vernon*'s AMELIA, and other Racers. In *April* 1769, when this fine Horſe was riſing 6 Years old, his Owner received Forfeit 1000 Guineas from RAPID; the ſame Year he beat VOLUNTEER for 200 Guineas; in *October* 1770, he beat WARWICKSHIRE WAG, now a noted covering Horſe in *England*, for 100 Guineas; and the ſame Year he beat ATRIDES for 100 Guineas.

(8‖) WILLIE JONES.

FOR SALE, 1,540 Acres of the beſt Kind of Tobacco Land, lying in the County of *Granville* and State of *North Carolina*, about two Miles from the Courthouſe, on which are all convenient Houſes, and cleared Land ſufficient to employ an Overſeer and 15 working Negroes.---Alſo to RENT, for one Year, or a Term of Years, between 1500 and 2000 Acres of Land in the County of *Nanſemond*, within a Quarter of a Mile of *Suffolk*, on which is a GRIST-MILL 40 by 32 Feet, with three Floors and two Pair of Stones, altogether calculated for the Manufacturing Buſineſs; likewiſe a SAW-MILL, that carries two Saws, with which 300,000 Feet may be cut with great Eaſe in the Year. Any Perſon who may incline either to purchaſe the former, or rent the latter, may know the Terms by applying to Mr. *John Dixon* in *Suffolk*, or the Subſcriber in *Prince George*.

DAVID MEADE.

TO be ſold at *Surry* Courthouſe, on *Tueſday* the 22d of *April*, being Court Day, about 1000 Acres of LAND in the ſaid County, lying on *Cypreſs* Swamp, well timbered, and was formerly the Reſidence of Dr. *M'Kenzie*. Immediate Poſſeſſion may be had, and a good Title made the Purchaſer, on giving Bond and Security to

JOSEPH PRENTIS.

*** Col. *Allen Cocke* is empowered to treat for the above Land at private Sale.

FOR SALE, three Thouſand Acres of Land, lying on the Banks of *Rappahannock* River, in the upper Part of *Lancaſter* County, nearly oppoſite *Urbanna*, and ſtretching three Miles along the ſaid River, eſteemed remarkably good, moſt of it flat low Grounds, with many valuable Improvements, a beautiful Situation with a good Dwelling-Houſe and all convenient Offices about the centre of the Tract, and other new Buildings on other Parts of ſaid Land. The Whole to be ſurveyed and ſold, either together or in Lots, as may be moſt convenient to the Purchaſer or Purchaſers. This Land has all the Advantages of Creeks, Fiſh, Oyſters, and every other that a Situation in the lower Part of the Country affords; is attended with the Advantages of a good Harbour for Trade, all the Stocks of Horſes, Cattle, Hogs, and 200 Sheep, may be had with the ſaid Lands. For Terms apply to *Henry Armiſtead*, Eſq; on the Premiſes, or to *Thomas B Griffin*, Eſq; near the ſame, who are inveſted with competent Powers to diſpoſe of the Whole. (tf) BURGES BALL.

I HAVE to requeſt that all the Members who ſigned the Articles of Copartnery of *Joſhua Storrs, Hugh Walker*, & Co. will give their Attendance at the *Raleigh*, in *Williamſburg*, the 18th of *April* next, at 10 o'Clock, at which Time I intend to lay before them a State of the Accounts, as alſo to be informed whether or not the yintend to continue the Partnerſhip any longer than one Year.

JOSHUA STORRS.

SPRIGHTLY.

To be let to Mares the enſuing Seaſon, at the Subſcriber's Plantation, about 14 Miles above *Peterſburg*, adjoining *Cock*'s Road,

THE high bred *Engliſh* Horſe SPRIGHTLY, full 15 Hands high, riſing 8 Years old; he is of a beautiful dark Cheſtnut Colour, was got by *Wildam*'s BABRAM, his Dam by *Rogers*'s BABRAM, his Grandam by SEDBURY, out of Lord *Portmore*'s EBONY; is well ſuited to breed for either the Saddle or Turf, being remarkably light and quick in his Movements, and free from any Blemiſh or Hurt. He won the Purſe for the four Years old at *Epſom* the ſame Year he was imported.——He will be let at thirty Shillings a Leap, or four Pounds the Seaſon. The Caſh will be expected before the Mares are taken away. Various and extenſive Paſturage, under a good Fence, for the Mares gratis, and they ſhall be taken the greateſt care of, but I will not be anſwerable for any that may be miſſing.

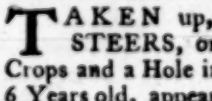
(12‖) ABRAHAM SMITH.

PORTSMOUTH, *Feb.* 26, 1777.

THE Subſcriber is removed to this Place, and propoſes receiving and ſelling Goods at public and private Sale, on Commiſſion, as formerly at *Norfolk*.----All Gentlemen having Buſineſs to tranſact here, and recommending it to me, may depend on the greateſt Punctuality being obſerved.

6 GEORGE KELLY.

GALLANT,



A FINE Bay, 16 Hands high, will cover Mares the enſuing Seaſon at Mr. *James Newman*'s, about a Mile from *Orange* Courthouſe, at 3l. to be paid on Delivery of the Mares.-----GALLANT was got by FEARNOUGHT, his Dam STATELY, got by SOBER JOHN, out of an imported Mare.--Paſturage will be found, but I will not be anſwerable for any Mares that may be loſt.

ROBERT BAYLOR.

TAKEN up, at *Booker*'s Ferry, on *Staunton* River, two large STEERS, one black, about 6 Years old, marked with two ſmooth Crops and a Hole in the left Ear; the other red and white pied, about 6 Years old, appears to have been marked with two ſmooth Crops and a Hole in the left Ear, but ſince torn out. The red and white Steer appraiſed to 55s. and the black one to 50s.

(1) PLUMMER THURSTON.

TO be ſold to the higheſt Bidder, on the 1ſt *Monday* in *April* next, at the late Dwelling-Houſe of Col. *Frank Eppes*, deceaſed, in *Dinwiddie* County, by Virtue of a Deed of Truſt from the ſaid *Eppes* to me, a Number of very valuable SLAVES, among whom are an excellent Blackſmith, and a good Shoemaker; alſo ſeveral valuable HORSES, and a large Stock of CATTLE. Twelve Months Credit will be allowed, the Purchaſers giving Bond, with approved Security, to carry Intereſt from the Date.

(1) THOMAS SCOTT.

FOR SALE, a valuable Tract of LAND in the County of *Lunenburg*, near *Meherrin*, containing 500 Acres, with a large Plantation, and all neceſſary Buildings thereon for a Public Houſe; alſo a fine Peach Orchard, *&c.* The Terms may be made known by applying to me, on the Premiſes.

(1) WIILLIAM HERRING.

TAKEN up, in *Charlotte*, a red and white COW about 10 Years old, has a ſhort Tail, marked with a Half Crop in the right Ear, and a Swallowfork in the left. Poſted, and appraiſed to 40s.

(1) JOSIAH MORTON.

FOR Sale, now on the Stocks, on *Potowmack* River, a new well built BRIG, Burthen about 110 Tons, double decked, and calculated for the *Weſt India* Trade. Any Gentleman inclined to purchaſe may be acquainted with the Terms, and ſhewn the Veſſel, by applying to Mr. *Richard Parker* of *Weſtmoreland* County. 4